

Begins program to measure land on area farms

Gladys C. Bassett, office manager of Jackson agricultural stabilization and conservation county committee, announced today that requests for premeasurement of 1963 crops will be accepted at the Jackson ASCS County office beginning Jan. 15.

Premeasurement service will be available to cotton farmers, corn and grain sorghums farmers who participate in the 1963 feed grain program, and to wheat farmers who participate in the 1963 wheat stabilization program.

Purpose of the premeasurement program is to give each farm operator an opportunity to have his land measured prior to planting time so that he will be assured of planting his full allotment and at the same time avoid overplanting.

In 1962, Mississippi farmers failed to plant approximately 99,000 acres of cotton that was available for planting; yet, 9700 farmers overplanted their farm allotments by approximately 25,300 acres.

Mrs. Bassett said that much of the under and overplanting could have been avoided had these farmers taken advantage of premeasurement service.

Under the premeasurement program, an ASCS compliance reporter visits the farm, measures and stakes the land pointed out by the farmer prior to the time the crop is planted. If the farmer plants within the staked area, he is then assured of planting his full allotment.

Farmers participating in the 1963 feed grain program or wheat stabilization program may also have their diverted acreage measured and staked.

Farmers who take advantage of this service will be assured of diverting enough acreage to insure full payment under the feed grain and wheat stabilization programs.

Requests for premeasurement service will be accepted at the Jackson ASCS County Office from Jan. 15 through April 5. At the time the request for service is made the farmer will be asked to deposit a small fee with the county committee to help cover the cost of doing the work.

Service fee varies according to the number of acres to be premeasured. Further information concerning the program is available at Jackson ASCS County Office.

Employment at new South peak

ATLANTA (UPI) — Nonfarm employment in the southeast set a new record in November for the third consecutive month, according to the US department of labor.

Brunswick A. Bagdon, southern regional director of the department's bureau of labor statistics, said 7,669,400 workers were on non-agricultural payrolls in November, 17,100 above the October level and 197,000 above that of a year earlier.

New records were set in four of the southeastern states, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina and Virginia.



LT. CMDR. R. L. MURRILL, COMMANDING OFFICER OF USS Blueblack, right, congratulates Bowling on his retirement and presents portion of a plank taken from the deck. Mrs. Bowling holds a bronze plaque.

Bowlings to live in Moss Point after retirement from US Navy

James H. Bowling, ENCS (SS) USN, retired Saturday after almost 21 years of service.

He was "piped over the side" of the USS Blueblack in San Francisco after serving aboard since her commissioning in 1959.

Chief Bowling was a member of the Blueblack's commissioning crew and was presented a small portion of a plank taken from the ship's deck, designating him official "plank owner."

The Blueblack was the last diesel-electric powered submarine constructed during the present submarine building program. Built at Ingalls and launched May 16, 1959, her first commanding officer was Lt. Comdr. R. H. Gautier of Pascagoula.

Chief Bowling and his wife, the former Mildred Stacey, plan to make their home in Moss Point.

The only state to show a loss over the previous year was Alabama, where the long-term decline in the mining industry was a major factor, augmented by a lower level in construction throughout 1962.

Employment in Mississippi, North Carolina and Tennessee was well above the levels of a year ago.

The largest growth occurred in the manufacturing industries, which added 70,000 workers in the year ending with November.

Only three industries, textiles, lumber and primary metals, employed fewer persons in November, 1962, than in November, 1961.

The largest single increase, 18,300, occurred in the apparel industry. Factory employment was off 7400 compared with the previous month, the major force being the annual release of temporary tobacco stemmy workers in Virginia and the Carolinas.

Tax director clarifies info on form number

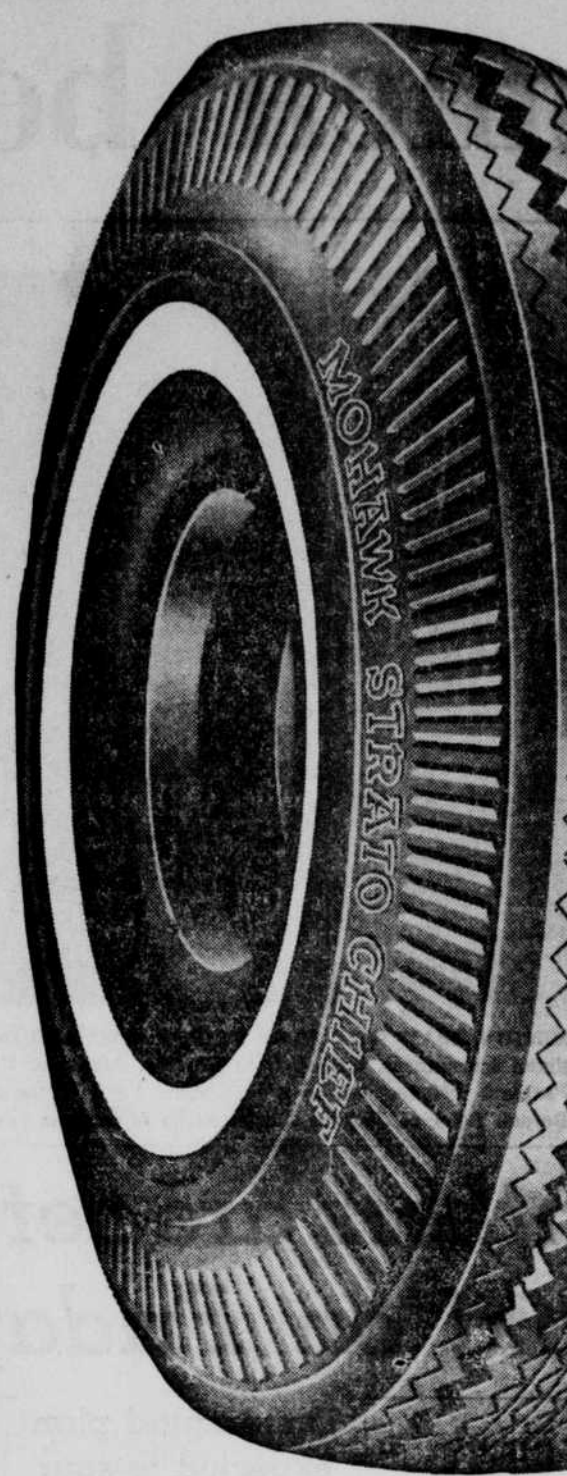
J. L. Enoch, district director of internal revenue, said today that there has been some confusion as to the identifying number to be used on information returns reporting payments of dividends, interest and similar payments made to a business operated by an individual as a sole proprietorship.

Enoch said, "The employer identification number is the correct number to use when the payments are made to the trade name of a sole proprietorship and the business is subject to employment or excise taxes."

He said that if the business activities of a sole proprietor are such that an employer identification number is not required, then the social security account number will be used.

Examples of such individual proprietors include self-employed tradesmen, taxicab operators, sales agents, farmers, who report their income on form 1040, Schedule C or F, but whose business activities do not require them to obtain employer identification numbers.

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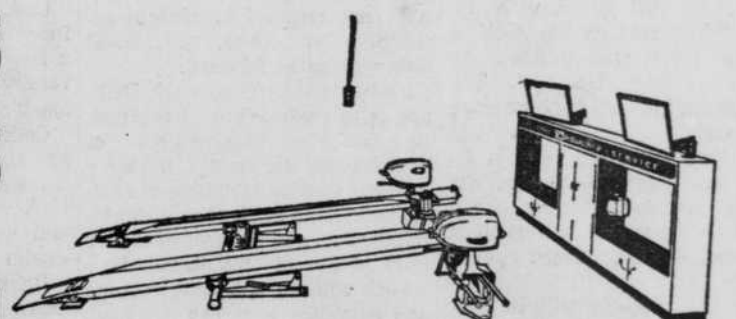
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